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SUMMARY: DCM, ACCOMPANIED BY LABOR ATTACHE, MET MAY 13 WITH EMIL VINDSETMO, SECRETARY GENERAL, SOCIAL MINISTRY, AND HALDOR HELDAL, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, SOCIAL MINISTRY AND NORWEGIAN GOVERNMENT REPRESENTATIVE TO ILO, TO DISCUSS U.S. POSITION ON ISSUES BEFORE INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE (ILC) (PER REFTEL A). NORWEGIANS AGREED TO PUT OUR VIEWS BEFORE SOCIAL MINISTER RUTH RYSTE, AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT NORWAY WOULD BE ABLE TO SUPPORT U.S. AT CONFERENCE. AMBASSADOR WILL MAKE DEMARCHE TO FM FRYDENLUND MAY 18. HELDAL AGREED TO DISCUSS NORWEGIAN POSITION AT CONFERENCE WITH EMBASSY ON MAY 20. END SUMMARY.

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1. DCM (CHARGE IN AMBASSADOR'S ABSENCE), ACCOMPANIED BY LABOR ATTACHE, MET WITH VINDSETMO AND HELDAL, SITTING IN FOR SOCIAL MINISTER RUTH RYSTE, WHO WAS NOT AVAILABLE. DCM LEFT AIDE MEMOIRE ALONG LONES REFTEL B, AND OUTLINED U.S. POSITION ON CRITICAL ISSUES BEFORE INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE, AND EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF OUTCOME OF CONFERENCE TO U.S. ATTITUDE TOWARD PARTICIPATION IN ILO.

2. VINDSETMO NOTED EARLIER NORWEGIAN SUPPORT IN GOVERNING BODY FOR OUR POSITION ON CRITICAL ISSUES. HE AGREED TO RELAY SUBSTANCE OF DEMARCHE TO MINISTER RYSTE, AND EXPRESSED HOPE THAT NORWAY COULD SUPPORT US IN CONFERENCE AS IT HAD IN GOVERNING BODY (BG).

3. IN COURSE OF DISCUSSION OF ISRAELI ISSUE, WE MENTIONED REPORT IN REFTTEL THAT AFRICAN LABOR MINISTERS NOTED IN FAVOR OF REOPENING ISSUE AT ILC. HELDAL EXPRESSED HIS SURPRISE AT THIS AND ASKED IF WE HAD SEEN DOCUMENTS OF MINISTERS' CONFERENCE. WE OFFERED TO ATTEMPT TO GET RELEVANT INFORMATION FOR HIM. REQUEST DEPT OR U.S. MISSION GENEVA EITHER TRANSMIT BY CABLE RELEVANT INFORMATION FROM AFRICAN MINISTERS' CONFERENCE, OR HAVE DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE FOR HELDAL'S PERUSAL AT MAY GB MEETING.

4. AMBASSADOR WILL MAKE DEMARCHE TO FM FRYDENLUND ON MAY 18. EMBOFFS WILL ALSO DISCUSS SUBSTANCE OF DEMARCHE WITH OLAF SUNDRE, FEDERATION OF NORWEGIAN TRADE UNIONS (LO) OFFICIALS, (WHO WILL NOT BE IN GENEVA FOR GB BECAUSE OF LO CONGRESS, BUT WILL ATTEND ILC), TORE TORENG, MFA, AND KAARE SELVIG, NORWEGIAN EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATION, DURING WEEK OF MAY 16.

5. NORWEGIAN POSITION ON CONFERENCE ISSUES WILL BE WORKED OUT IN INTERMINISTERIAL COMMITTEE, WHICH WILL MEET WEEK OF MAY 16. HELDAL AGREED TO CALL LABOR ATTACHE AT END OF WEEK TO DISCUSS DELIBERATIONS ON NORWEGIAN POSITION.

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6. NORWEGIAN DELEGATES TO CONFERENCE:
HALDOR HELDAL, DEPUTY DIRECTOR, SOCIAL MINISTRY, GOVERNMENT DELEGATE AND CHAIRMAN.
KAARE SELVIG, ADMINISTRATIVE DIRECTOR, NORWEGIAN EMPLOYERS ASSOCIATION, EMPLOYER DELEGATE,
OLAS SUNDE, LEGAL COUNSEL, LO, WORKER DELEGATE.
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